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Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Warmer weather prevailed throughout the state this week. Conditions allowed producers to get a lot of spring fieldwork done. Days suitable for work were 6.4. Livestock conditions continue to do well.

Field Crops Summary

Iron and Kane counties received some much needed moisture this week and allowed farmers to delay starting their sprinklers. All reports indicate that crops continue to progress nicely around the state. Box Elder reports that there is still some major concern about the fruit crop as the producers are assessing the damage from the cold weather that occurred a couple weeks ago. Box Elder also reports that fuel and fertilizer prices continue to be a concern. Corn planting is just getting underway in most counties. Farmers in Cache County still remain optimistic about the condition of most crops even though more rainfall is still needed for sustainability. Water supplies still are a major concern for most farmers in the state. Emery County reports that all major canals now have water in them and producers are irrigating. Also, no reports of major freeze damage has been reported within the county.

Livestock Summary

Box Elder reports that livestock producers seem to be doing well with the calving mostly done and the lambing about 50% complete on range herds. Iron County reports that recent storms have greatly improved range conditions.

Crop Progress for Week Ending April 29, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Barley Planted	89	82	66	75
Oats Planted	66	57	54	62
Oats Emerged	28	24	13	28
Spring Wheat Emerged	71	63	39	50
Corn Planted	22	18	11	11
Apple Full Bloom	90	75	95	83
Pears Full Bloom	88	78	91	93

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending April 29, 2007

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Range & Pasture	6	7	34	47	6
Winter Wheat	0	0	18	63	19
Sheep	0	1	11	83	5
Cattle/calves	0	1	13	78	8

Livestock Percent for Week Ending April 29, 2007

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Year Average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Sheep Moved to Summer Range	12	11	12	8
Cows Calved	93	88	92	91
Sheep Sheared on Farm	80	70	85	86
Sheep Sheared on Range	67	53	76	75
Ewes Lambed on Farm	93	92	92	92
Ewes Lambed on Range	54	47	56	65

Soil Moisture for Week Ending April 29, 2007

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Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
Topsoil	1	23	75	1	
Subsoil	0	20	79	1	
Irrigation water supplies	7	38	55	0	
Stock water supplies	1	17	81	1	